

CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES OF THE OPEN BOARD MEETING

707 N Armstrong Place, Boise, ID 83704 Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 4 p.m. | Video Conference Meeting

Due to COVID 19, meetings of the Board for the remainder of 2020 will be held via video conference unless otherwise noted.

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I. IN THE MATTER OF CALL TO ORDER

Betty Ann Nettleton, Board Chair, called the Central District Health (CDH) Board of Health meeting to order at 4:07 p.m.

II. IN THE MATTER OF ROLL CALL

The Board of Health members were identified by roll call: Betty Ann Nettleton, RN (Ret), Chair; Comr. Ryan Stirm Comr. Diana Lachiondo; Jane Young, DNP; Ted Epperly, MD; Rep. Megan Blanksma, V- Chair.

Others present were CDH staff members Russell A. Duke, District Director, and Donna Mahan, Recorder; Mike Kane, CDH's Legal Counsel; staff of Saint Alphonsus Health System, Odette Bolano, President & CEO, and Kathryn (Katy) Dudley; and staff of St. Luke's Health System, Chris Roth, President and CEO, and Dr. Jim Souza.

ACTION ITEMS

III. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

Discussion and Vote on approving the Amended Agenda (Third) to include COVID 19 status update from Saint Alphonsus and St. Luke's Health Systems.

Motion: Commissioner Diana Lachiondo made a motion to include a presentation from both Saint Alphonsus and St. Luke's on their COVID 19 status update. Dr. Ted Epperly seconded the motion. In a voice vote by Board Members, Commissioner Ryan Stirm, Dr. Ted Epperly, Dr. Jane Young, and Commissioner Diana Lachiondo voted aye. Representative Megan Blanksma voted no due to the last minute addition to the agenda and not allowing public involvement. Motion carried.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

1. COVID 19 status update from Saint Alphonsus and St. Luke's Health Systems

Odette Bolano, President & CEO of Saint Alphonsus Health System, and Kathryn Dudley; and Chris Roth, President and CEO of St. Luke's Health System, and Dr. Jim Souza provided COVID 19 status updates from their specific health system, including an increase number in COVID patients and concern of community transmission.

2. Approve Minutes June 26, 2020 Emergency Board Meeting

Motion: Dr. Ted Epperly moved to approve the June 26, 2020 Emergency Board Meeting minutes. Commissioner Diana Lachiondo seconded the motion. In a voice vote by Board Members, Commissioner Ryan Stirm, Dr. Ted Epperly, Dr. Jane Young, and Commissioner Diana Lachiondo stated aye; and Representative Megan Blanksma abstained. Motion carried.

3. Executive Session

Idaho Statute 74-206 (f) Communicate with Legal Counsel: "To communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated."

By motion, the CDH Board of Health entered into executive session at 5:14 p.m.

Motion: Commissioner Diana Lachiondo made a motion to enter into executive session under Idaho Statute 74-206 (f) to communicate with legal counsel and that to shall be by roll call and recorded in the minutes. Seconded by Dr. Ted Epperly. The motion was amended to provide more clarification for going into executive session. Commissioner Diana Lachiondo amended her motion to note that we move into executive session under Idaho Statute 74-206 (f) to communicate with legal counsel regarding pending litigation, not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated and that to shall be by roll call and recorded in the minutes. Amended motion seconded by Dr. Ted Epperly. In a voice vote by Board Members, Commissioner Ryan Stirm, Dr. Ted Epperly, Dr. Jane Young, Commissioner Diana Lachiondo, and Representative Megan Blanksma voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion: Commissioner Diana Lachiondo moved to enter back into open session. Commissioner Ryan Stirm seconded the motion. In a voice vote by Board Members, Commissioner Ryan Stirm, Dr. Ted Epperly, Dr. Jane Young, Commissioner Diana Lachiondo, and Representative Megan Blanksma voted aye. Motion carried.

The Board returned to open session at 5:33 p.m., inviting the public back into the meeting.

4. Discussion and Vote regarding curing of possible open meeting violation.

Chairwoman Nettleton asked for a motion to void the previous order.

Motion: Dr. Ted Epperly made a motion that the Board declare the Order entered by the Board on June 26 regarding quarantine and restriction be declared void as the open meeting law was not fully complied with. Seconded by Dr. Jane Young. In a voice vote by Board Members, Commissioner Ryan Stirm, Dr. Ted Epperly, Dr. Jane Young, Commissioner Diana Lachiondo, and Representative Megan Blanksma voted aye. Motion carried.

 Discussion and Vote regarding potential actions to protect life, health, and safety within the District as to the COVID 19 Pandemic, to include potential amendments to current public health orders for Ada County and consideration of orders for other counties or communities.

The Board asked the District Director to share his views on where the District was regarding COVID. Russ Duke recommended the Board reissue the orders with one modification that "the gatherings of more than

50 people 'should be avoided'" to be changed to 'shall be avoided'. In terms of face coverings, Mr. Duke asked the Board give him and the staff of Central District Health the opportunity to draft orders for face covering requirements for at least Ada County and possibly Valley County. Russ would present the draft orders at or before our next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, July 14th for consideration of the modification of today's orders, if the Board moves forward with his recommendation. If the reported cases continue to increase between now and the next meeting, Russ proposed that a special meeting could be called to discuss the face covering orders.

Motion: Dr. Ted Epperly stated he was prepared to make a motion, at this point, that would cure the voided motion, that would incorporate the recommended language, and allow then for further consideration for a draft set, if you will, of following actions for the upcoming meeting on or about the 14th of July. Seconded by Commissioner Diana Lachiondo. Mike Kane requested clarification of the motion, asking for the motion to be withdrawn and then restated. Dr. Epperly withdrew his motion, and Commissioner Lachiondo withdrew her second on the motion.

Dr. Ted Epperly restated the motion, "I move the following to be made into a legally worded order. That I recommend that Ada County move back into Stage 3 for the control of COVID 19 outbreak of significance immediately to include bars and nightclubs. The restriction would apply to employers, business, and individuals in Ada County, Idaho. That we use syndromic, epidemiology, and clinical numbers to determine when these restrictions can be lifted; and that gatherings of individuals shall be limited to less than 50; and that Central District Health will develop a messaging campaign that includes multiple healthcare leaders to help amplify this message across all of Ada County; and that Mr. Russ Duke will develop a draft set of orders to present to the Board on or about the 14th of July for further consideration or further action. Commissioner Diana Lachiondo seconded the motion. In a voice vote by Board Members, Commissioner Ryan Stirm, Dr. Ted Epperly, Dr. Jane Young, and Commissioner Diana Lachiondo voted aye; and Representative Megan Blanksma voted no. Motion carried.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The next Board meeting will be Tuesday, July 14 at 4 p.m. No further business was brought before the Board; meeting adjourned at 6:04 p.m. by a motion.

Motion: Dr. Ted Epperly made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Commissioner Diana Lachiondo. In a voice vote by Board Members, Commissioner Ryan Stirm, Dr. Ted Epperly, Dr. Jane Young, Commissioner Diana Lachiondo, and Representative Megan Blanksma voted aye. Motion carried.

Attest:

Betty Ann Nettleton Board Chair Russell A. Duke, District Director

Secretary to the Board

Board Minutes approved on July 14, 2020.